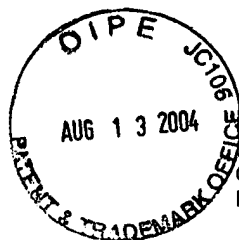


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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REFERENCES ON PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is a request to the Examiner to provide a copy of the form PTO-1449 with initials acknowledging consideration of the references submitted in a previously filed information disclosure statement.

On January 26, 2004, Applicant mailed a Fourth Information Disclosure Statement that listed three references (Exhibit 1). A copy of form PTO-1449 initialed by the Examiner was not returned to Applicant with the Notice of Allowance dated August 3, 2004.

Applicant received the postcard receipt, stamped by the Patent Office on January 29, 2004, confirming receipt of Applicant's Fourth Information Disclosure. A copy is included at Exhibit 2.

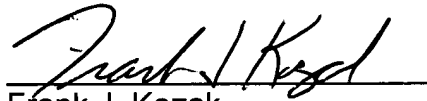
In addition, the Information Disclosure Statement mailed on January 26, 2004 is included in the file history of the Patent and Trademark Office's PAIR system, and having a filing date of January 29, 2004 (Exhibit 3).

Under patent office regulations, an applicant is entitled to have an information disclosure statement considered by the Examiner if it is filed before the Notice of Allowance and is accompanied by payment of the required fee or the required certification.

Applicant requests the Examiner to consider and indicate that the references submitted with the Fourth Information Disclosure Statement mailed on January 26, 2004 were considered by including the Examiner's initials next to the references. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the form PTO 1449 is included with this response.

The Examiner's attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant discloses the reference(s) listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner.

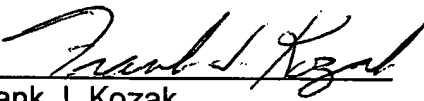
The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior hereto.

Applicant requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each listed reference. The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the reference(s) by initialing the appropriate location(s) on the form PTO-1449 enclosed herewith.

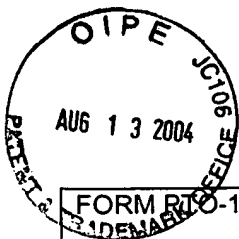
Applicant submits that the claimed subject matter of the present application defines over the cited prior art.

Applicant does not represent any cited reference to be prior art and Applicant reserves the right to disqualify any reference by the showing of an earlier date of invention, if appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,


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